

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Some of the Proceedings Transacted at Santa Fe Last Week.

The proceedings of the territorial board of equalization are now being printed in the Santa Fe New Mexican and a condensation of the same, as it appeared in yesterday's issue, reveals the following business:

The action of the commissioners of Bernalillo county was sustained in the following cases:

Severo Sanchez, Thomas Sanchez, Miramon Sanchez, Carlos P. Sanchez, Gabriel Sanchez, David Mezger, Francisco C. de Baca, Jose C. de Baca, Luis Alary, which said appeals were turned over to the auditor, with recommendations that he notify the county commissioners of Bernalillo, of the action of the board.

Commissioners of Socorro county were sustained in the raise of \$600 on real estate in the appeal of Mrs. L. A. Connor. In the case of the St. Louis Smelting and Refining company the commissioners of Socorro county were sustained in the raise of \$2,000 on machinery, but not sustained in the \$10,100 assessment on ore, as it was proven that the company had no ore on the 1st day of March; on real estate the board decided that the land be assessed at \$1.25 per acre and no more, the same as other land in that neighborhood is assessable and taxed.

The raise of \$980 made in the returns of the Fort Sumner land and irrigation company was sustained.

The valuation of the estate of the late Wilson Waddingham in Colfax county was placed at \$11,903. A raise amounting to \$10,000 was not sustained.

Andrew Morton's appeal was not sustained. The commissioners of Colfax county raised his personal property from \$415 to \$2,000.

In the appeals of Hugo Seaberg and Lottice V. Seaberg, J. M. McAllister and Kremis Bros., the commissioners of Colfax county were sustained.

The appeal of S. Florsheim of Colfax county was rejected and his assessed valuation placed at \$33,000, this including 13,000 head of sheep, assessed at \$1 per head, that he failed to return for taxable purposes.

The appeal of John Baldwin of Colfax county was sustained and his property assessed at \$6,000. The territory was represented by the attorney general.

The appeal of the territory in the matter of the First National bank of Raton was sustained, and the board assessed the bank upon \$50,000 capital stock, and \$7,000 surplus at 60 per cents on the dollar, making the final assessed valuation against said bank of Raton at \$34,200.

Another appeal made by the territory in the assessment of J. B. Dawson of Colfax county was sustained, the territorial board making an additional assessment of \$4,000; total, \$15,000. M. M. Chase's assessment was also raised \$1,350, making a total in his case of \$6,000.

The appeal of Jacob Selligman of Bernalillo county was rejected.

The appeal of the D. & R. V. railroad in Taos county was partially sustained, the assessed valuation being fixed at the same rate as last year, viz. \$130,000.

The appeal of the Madrid Mercantile company of Santa Fe county was rejected and a raise of \$10,000 in personal property and \$1,000 on store buildings was affirmed.

The appeal of the Cerrillos Coal railroad company was rejected.

The appeal of the New Mexico Town company in Colfax county was rejected.

The collector of Dona Ana county was instructed to proceed to assess the property of the Southern Pacific railroad company in that county for the year 1899 for all property not heretofore assessed, and to assess said

company under section 4056 of the Compiled Laws of 1897.

The appeals of Mrs. W. H. James and C. Hearn of Sierra county were rejected.

The appeals of a number of individuals from Rio Arriba county were sustained.

The appeal of Solomon Spiegelberg of Santa Fe county was rejected and his valuation placed at \$2,000.

The appeal of H. B. Cartwright & Bro. of Santa Fe county was sustained to the extent of \$1,500 and valuation placed at \$5,000. Likewise the appeal of A. Walker & Co. to the amount of \$2,000 and valuation placed at \$5,000.

This completed the proceedings up to Friday noon.

AS VIEWED AT SANTA FE.

In speaking of the split in the Republican party and the appointment of Colonel Frank Chavez, a special from Santa Fe to the Denver News says:

The political sensation of this year was sprung here when it was announced from Washington that the selection of Colonel J. Frank Chavez as census supervisor for New Mexico had been turned down and Major Pedro Sanchez of Taos county chosen in his stead. It all grows out of the Republican factional fight between Governor Otero and his supporters, including John S. Clark, chairman of the territorial committee and coal oil inspector on one side, and ex Delegate T. B. Catron and Delegate Pedro Perea and their friends on the other.

Two months ago Colonel Chavez received official notice from Washington to the effect that he had been selected as supervisor of the census for New Mexico, stating that his commission would be forwarded in a few days and requesting, as he lives in the country, that he designate some central point in the territory as his official headquarters. Colonel Chavez has been here two weeks awaiting daily the arrival of his commission, and had gone so far as to pick out most of his assistants, when today he and his friends were quite knocked off the perch by the announcement that the position of census supervisor had been given to Pedro Sanchez, who had all along held Governor Otero's indorsement. It seems that Delegate Perea and ex-Delegate Catron had indorsed Colonel Chavez, but as he declined to dance at all times to the music supplied by the Otero-Clark crowd he was ousted. The change is accepted as a big victory for Otero over the Catron-Perea following, and in view of the pending fight for control of the New Mexico delegation to the next national Republican convention is regarded as placing Catron-Perea et al. in a very embarrassing position. Catron, Perea, Chavez and other Republican leaders who have borne the brunt of battle for the last twenty years, were in conference at Catron's office recently to consider the situation.

SOME of the administration papers thought it just awful that Mr. Bryan's trip to the Pacific coast ostensibly for rest and recreation was really a campaigning tour. The hideousness of such conduct never occurs to them when William McKinley goes upon such jaunts.

THE city of Dresden, Germany, owns a paper. The profits are used in building parks.

Mining Deals Are Made.

Advices from Cochiti announce that O. P. Posey, of Denver, has bought the two thirds interest of A. J. McFarlane in the Lone Star mine, near Bland for \$150,000. Two months ago a one third interest in the property was bought by Posey for \$50,000 from Chester Greenwood and associates of Telluride, Colo. Mining men consider this by far the greatest mine in the Cochiti district; on the 400-foot level the ore body is ninety feet in width and yields on the average \$25 per ton. Mr. Posey is supposed to have made the purchase in behalf of the Albemarle company, whose stock is now selling in Boston at a premium of \$10.50 per share. A new cyanide mill of 100 tons capacity is to be erected on the property at once. Superintendent Hall of the Albemarle company has been placed in charge of the Lone Star.

Another deal of great importance to the Cochiti district was closed up yesterday, when W. H. Milligan came from Mexico and assumed control of the Crown Point group in behalf of ex-Senator Warner Miller and William A. Spier of New York, formally receiving the property from W. A. Tennant, late of Denver, who sold it for \$50,000. They will put on at once a 100-ton plant to treat the ores of this group.

Realty Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were issued during the week ending Saturday, September 16, 1899:

Cora B. Ross to Virgil A. Henry, consideration, \$670, conveys west half of lots 11, 12, 13, 14, block 47, East Las Vegas.

Wesley J. Funkhouser and wife to Janet Ross and Thomas Ross, consideration \$1,000, conveys lot 9 in block 2 Lucero addition.

Jefferson Reynolds and wife, Joshua Reynolds and wife to Nicolas T. Cordova and Jose G. Montana, consideration \$1,000, conveys lot in East Las Vegas.

William Green and wife to Agapito M. E. Jaramillo, consideration \$1, conveys land north of East Las Vegas.

Agapito M. E. Jaramillo to Maria de Jesus Jaramillo, consideration \$1 conveys land north of East Las Vegas.

Jose Angel Gallegos and others to Manuel Gonzales, consideration \$1 an acre, conveys land in Bernalillo county.

Stephen H. Neafus and wife to Manuel Segura, consideration \$100, conveys land.

MAKES A PREDICTION.

[Deming Headlight.]

The Las Vegas OPTIC of the 14th devotes considerable space to an article headed: "Who will be downed." And then discussed at considerable length, the relative political standing of our little governor and Tom Catron, Delegate Perea and several other political lights in the Republican party of this Territory. While it is none of our squabble, we are willing to give odds that before the close of the approaching session of congress, "Gillie" will find that he is governor of New Mexico only so far that he is allowed to bear the title and draw the salary. Tom Catron and Pedro Perea are not made of the stuff that will allow of any half way measures where their power is in question.

ANOTHER OPTIC.

A newspaper, a weekly, has made its appearance at the state historical society rooms at Topeka. It is the first publication attempted at Olpe, in Lyon county, a small town fifteen miles west of Emporia, on the Howard branch of the Santa Fe road.

The new paper is the Olpe Optic and it starts out with a good advertising patronage. The editor and proprietor is Ezra R. Trask, who was among the first printers to land in Kansas when the state was being settled. Trask is truly a pioneer printer and the older men in the business now in Kansas will remember him and be ready to say a good word for his declining years which he insists upon spending in a printing office, not on flowery beds of ease, but standing on a small box at the case picking out the type to set up the items which he carries in his head. Trask seldom uses copy, unless it is contributed. He goes out on the street, picks up local items, goes back to the office and puts them in type as his paper cannot afford to put in typesetting machinery just yet.

Success to the venture. May it get to be as big some day as its namesake.

He Will Explain.

John Barr, a stonemason by trade, will appear before Judge Wooster at 5 o'clock this afternoon to answer to a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Barr, from all accounts, thought he had secured possession of a house owned and rented by S. A. Clements in the "Chihuahua" part of town. The former occupant, a colored man, whose rent had expired, gave him the key and told him to take hold. Barr attempted to do this by taking the furniture out of the house and stacking it up in the street. The owner of the furniture, a native, who is the lawful occupant of the premises, had Barr arrested and the latter will doubtless endeavor to explain his conduct, if any reasonable explanation can be given for it.

J. R. McMahan has taken an agency for the Home Comfort range.

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